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PETITION TO WITHDRAW FROM ISSUE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.313(a)

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.313(c)(2), Applicants hereby petition for the withdrawal of this application from issue and petition for consideration of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE). This petition is being filed in order that references submitted in an Information Disclosure Statement by way of an RCE (submitted herewith) can be considered by the Examiner. The necessity for the instant petition is based on the following course of events:

On December 18, 2006, a Notice of Allowance was mailed.

On March 7, 2007, the issue fee was mailed to the PTO.

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Four references are being cited in the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement submitted herewith.

For authorization to charge the petition fee for this Petition, please see the accompanying Petition Fee Transmittal.

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Documents Attached

1. Petition to Withdraw From Issue (2 pages)

2. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal (1 page in duplicate)

3. Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, PTO/SB/08A, and 4 references

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